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## Lake Bluff Letter

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[Plan Commission and Zoning Board of Appeals \(PCZBA\) Meeting \(Early Start\)](#)

Wednesday, February 21, 2018 - 6:00pm

[Finance Committee](#)

Thursday, February 22, 2018 - 6:00pm

Village News

[Lake Bluff Submits Joint Fire/EMS Proposal To Knollwood Fire Department](#)



The Village of Lake Bluff has approached the adjacent Rockland Fire Protection District with [a formal plan to provide joint fire and paramedic services](#) throughout Lake Bluff and the unincorporated community of Knollwood.

"Knollwood shares our tradition of volunteer fire service, just as they

share our schools and our parks," Village President Kathleen O'Hara said. "We believe our partnership will create a better fire department and a better future."

The plan proposes a three-year path to a full-service Knollwood - Lake Bluff fire department expected to save taxpayers at least \$500,000 over five years. At the same time, the plan adds a full-time presence who will serve as both firefighters and paramedics.

"This joint plan solves the pressing need for financially sustainable fire and emergency medical services in both communities," Village Administrator Drew Irvin said. "These changes would also allow us to implement some of the newest innovations and best practices and, by doing so, improve efficiency and outcomes for our citizens."

The plan differs from previous proposals by the City of Lake Forest and the Village of Libertyville, where firefighters from other communities would be responsible for protecting the residents of the Rockland Fire Protection District.

"This plan can ensure we are served by local, connected, and committed Fire and EMS professionals that live and enjoy serving in our community," Lake Bluff Fire Chief David Graf said. "These two departments train and respond together and, in fact, work even today as though they were one department with two stations."

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### [Public Meetings on the Future of the Lake Bluff Golf Club](#)



The Park District has been managing and studying the long-term viability of the Lake Bluff Golf Club for more than a decade. The Park District Board now faces the difficult decision of whether the Park District should continue to offer and operate the Golf Club. Resident input is important to the Park District. As a part of the decision-making process, the Park District has scheduled two public meetings to give residents an opportunity to share their thoughts on the matter. These meetings will be held Monday, February 26 and Monday, March

5. Both meetings are from 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. in the Lake Bluff Park District Gymnasium located at [355 W. Washington Ave.](#)

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### [Sustainability Plan Survey](#)



The Village of Lake Bluff's Sustainability and Community Enhancement Ad Hoc Committee will soon be developing a formal sustainability plan that outlines challenges, goals, and opportunities to make Lake Bluff a more sustainable community.

**Want to contribute?**  
Take our survey - it only takes five minutes:  
[http://bit.ly/lb\\_sustainability\\_survey](http://bit.ly/lb_sustainability_survey)

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### [Backyard Chickens and Bees Pilot Programs](#)



Lake Bluff recently approved pilot programs that will allow residents to keep chickens and bees on residential property. A limited number of permits will be issued following a review by the Village's Sustainability and Community Enhancement Ad Hoc Committee and an inspection. Applicants must meet various requirements for each program to ensure public safety.

[Click here for application materials.](#)

NOTE: The form has recently been revised to reflect new March deadlines, due to the rescheduling of the committee's March meeting to March 22.

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### [Request for Proposals - Board Room Audio / Visual Upgrade](#)



The Village of Lake Bluff, IL requests proposals for its Board Room Audio / Visual Upgrade project.

[The full Request can be viewed here.](#)

Inquiries should be directed to [Glen Cole, Assistant to the Village Administrator](#).

An optional pre-submittal meeting will be held at Village Hall at 10 a.m. Wednesday, February 21, 2018.

Sealed proposals will be received at ATTN: Board Room Audio / Visual Upgrade, Village Hall, 40 E. Center Ave., Lake Bluff, IL 60044. Proposals must be received no later than **Friday, March 2, 2018 at 3 p.m.** to be considered.

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### Recent Board and Committee Actions

*For more information, visit the Village's [meeting packets and videos page](#). Agendas and meeting materials are typically available the Friday before a meeting; videos within a week after the meeting; and minutes after they are approved at the next meeting of the public body. Not all meetings are recorded on video.*

*See an agenda item that interests you? Attend a meeting! Or - send your thoughts to [vlb@lakebluff.org](mailto:vlb@lakebluff.org).*

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**Recent Committee of the Whole and Architectural Board of Review Joint Meeting (February 12):**

- Discuss proposed residential material standards.
- Discuss proposed revisions to the Village's sign code.
- Discuss proposed changes to the review process for site plans.

**Recent Village Board Meeting (February 12) - The Board approved:**

- A subdivision for 420 Simpson Avenue and 604 Ravine Avenue resulting from the Village's recent sale of adjacent land.
- Amending the liquor code to allow Donati's Pizza 4, Inc. to receive a carry-out beer and wine license.
- First reading (not final action) to amend the Village Code to clarify when a criminal trespass occurs.
- Approving release of certain closed meeting minutes, and the continued confidentiality of others.
- Allocating the Village's private activity bond authority to the Village of Buffalo Grove.

**The Historic Preservation Commission regular meeting scheduled for February 14 was CANCELLED.**

**Upcoming Plan Commission and Zoning Board of Appeals Meeting (February 21):**

- Conduct a Comprehensive Plan Workshop regarding Open Space, Parks, and Recreation.
- Postpone a public hearing for 501 E. Center Ave. and 517 E. Center Ave.

**Upcoming Finance Committee Meeting (February 22):**

- Review of the preliminary 2019 & 2020 biennial budget; preliminary water fund projections; and preliminary 2019 capital project program.

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In the event that Meeting Agenda links do not properly function, subscribers may find agendas posted on the Home Page at [www.lakebluff.org](http://www.lakebluff.org). All Board and Commission [Meeting Minutes](#) are generally approved at the next regular meeting and posted on the website the following day.

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